MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) : I want a reply either in the negative or in the affirmative.

PRESIDENT : The answer to one part of your question is in the affirmative and the answer to the other part is in the negative.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) : May I know the reason for not appointing all the three Muslim Inspectors as recommended by the Education Reforms Committee?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : There are, as I said in the answer to part (*b*), two Inspectors at present. One has been sent for training. After his training his appointment may be considered. The absence of a larger number of Muslim Inspectors is due to paucity of men with sufficient administrative experience in the department.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) : Is it owing to the lack of qualified Muslims that the third appointment was not made?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : It is owing to lack of men qualified and experienced in the department.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) : May I know whether any experienced and qualified Muslims had applied for the post of an Assistant Inspector?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : Not that I am aware of.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum —Rural*) : May I know what will prevail when there is a conflict between the recommendations of the Education Reforms Committee and the Public Service Commission Rules?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : Government will prevail Sir.

PRESIDENT : It is a hypothetical question and a riddle which I suppose one cannot answer off-hand. It will all depend upon the nature of the conflict.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) : May I know whether the answer to part (*b*) is inclusive of the person who has been sent for training?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : Yes, Sir.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) : May I kown whether the person who has gone for training was an Assistant Inspector?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : He was, Sir.

Statement, by caste, of the Officers in the Anchal Department.

276 *MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a caste-war statement of officers in the Anchal Department drawing a monthly salary of Rs. 40 and above?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : A statement is laid on the table as required by the member.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) : Of the sixty appointments made in the Anchal Department, may I know the reason for not appointing a single Muslim in that department?

*Vide Appendix—II.

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MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Probably qualified Muslims were not available at that time.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): May I know whether any qualified Muslim applied ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) : Will the Government be pleased to gather information with regard to that ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I do not think it necessary, as, now that the Public Service Commissioner has been appointed, fresh recruitment will be made by him.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): May I know whether temporary appointments can be made by departmental heads according to the Government circular before the functioning of the Public Service Commissioner ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): May I know whether any of such appointments went to a Muslim ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Sir, the printed answer is nil, while the present answer is, yes.

PRESIDENT : Your cross-examination has been successful.

Work of the Anchal Peons.

277. *MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether a circular has been issued recently by the Anchal Superintendent asking the peons to do the sweeping work also in addition to the other duties entrusted to them ;

(*b*) whether these Anchal Peons are required to be provided with cycles ; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, who will provide them with cycles ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Not compulsory.

(*c*) At their own cost.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) : May I know from the Government whether there was any order compelling the Anchal peons to do the sweeping business in the Anchal Offices ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): There was no order compelling the peons to do the sweeping work. The Superintendent only issued an order saying that the Anchal Master should see that the office is kept neat and clean.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Is not sweeping one of the duties of the Anchal peons besides the other duties entrusted to them ?

MR T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes. In the small offices it is the duty of the peon to see that the premises are kept clean.

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Appendix II

Vide **Answer to Question No 276.**

Statement, by caste, of the Officers in the Anchal Department drawing a monthly salary of Rs. 40 and above.

(A) HINDUS.		
(1) Brahmins	...	23
(2) Nairs	...	9
(3) Other caste Hindus	...	6
(4) Kammalas	...	Nil.
(5) Nadars	...	Nil.
(6) Ezhavas	...	4
(7) Cheramar	...	Nil.
(8) Other Hindus	...	3
(B) MUSLIMS	...	Nil.
(C) CHRISTIANS.		
(1) Jacobite	...	6
(2) Marthomite	...	6
(3) Syrian Catholic	...	1
(4) Latin Catholic	...	1
(5) South Indian United Church	...	1
(6) Other Christians	...	Nil.
Total	...	60

NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT MOTION.

PRESIDENT: There is an adjournment motion given notice of by Mr. Varughese. It reads thus:—

"I beg leave to move for the adjournment of the business of this House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, *viz*, the attitude of the Government of India towards the prayer of cocoanut planters of South India for a protective import duty against foreign import of cocoanut as evidenced by the statement of the Honourable Sir Mahomed Zaffarullah Khan, the Commerce member to the Government of India made on the floor of the Indian Legislative Assembly on 3-2-1936 that after careful consideration the Government of India have come to the conclusion that an enhancement in the rates of duty on cocoanuts and cocoanut products is not justified."

There are two matters to be considered in connection with this motion. One is whether this matter deals with any question for which the Government of Travancore is responsible. The obvious anwer is no. Its discussion will also trench very delicately on the relations between the Government of India and the Indian States, a matter which is prohibited for discussion on the floor of this House. For these two reasons, I think I must disallow the motion.

Legislative Business.

THE TRAVANCORE COMPENSATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS BILL.—(*contd.*)

PRESIDENT: The next item is legislation. We will now take up the Travancore Compensation for Improvements Bill and take it up at the point at which it was left at the last session of the House.

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